(6) No excess amount has been paid.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was he entitled to a second class according to the rules which were in existence at the time he went to Simla?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The rates were all revised. There were requests at the time he went to Simla when it was under consideration and the rates were subsequently revised.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—And retrospective effect was given?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The original revision was from 1st Chingam 1108.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—The orders were not passed before Chingam. Am I to understand that it was passed with retrospective effect, be it one day, or one week or one month?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—In the sense the Hon'ble the Deputy President has meant it, it is an order with retrospective effect.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether this retrospective effect will be given to all the officers?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes. To everybody.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is there such a laborious task to give the exact amount?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is not exactly a laborious task. But it serves no useful purpose.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—How much was actually paid? That is the question.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Rs. 341—8—0.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether there is any special reason for the Government to make this 5th class officers' travelling allowance single second class while the travelling allowance of all other officers is more than this single fare?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Their rate as per the revision was somewhere about ½ or 1 and two-third third class. They said considering their status it is rather difficult for them to go by third class.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Have there been requests from any of the officers to reconsider the question of T. A. and make it ½ second class?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There might have been.

Number of unemployed and incapacitated persons in the State.

66. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) figures, exact or approximate, showing unemployment in the State;

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(b) the number of incapacitated poor of (a) *i. e.*, those who cannot work owing to physical or other disabilities ;

(c) how the Government intend to absorb (a) and (b) ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) A statement containing the available information is appended. (*Appendix IV*). No statistics are available of unemployment among non-English educated classes.

(b) Statistics has not been collected.

(c) They have not considered the question.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether unemployment is not a vital question which is confronting all civilised Governments on the face of the earth?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is an important question especially in modern days.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Then why have they not collected statistics?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Several other questions had to be tackled by the Government and this is only one of them.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Having taken their position that it is a very important and vital question why they have never given prominence to this particular question and collected materials?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There are several other important questions yet to be tackled by the Government and this is only one of them. There was no special reason for not collecting statistics.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Sir, the Government have admitted that this is a vital question.....

President.—No discussion. The Hon'ble Member may put definite questions for information.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether unemployment is not one of the most important questions?

President.—It was once answered.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to collect statistics before the next session?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It may not be possible.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to give the approximate date when they will be able to collect all statistics?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—There is an industrial survey proposed to be undertaken and along with that this also may be done, if possible.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—The question asked is "Will the Government be pleased to state figures, exact or approximate, show-

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ing unemployment in the State" and the answer is "Brahmins 113, other Hindus 236, Anglo-Indians 2, all other classes 93". It does not seem to be the answer to the question. Are they all Government employees that you refer to?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No.

Mr. K. Ayyappan.—How did the Government arrive at the figures?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—In the last Census certain limited figures were got and this is taken from that Report. I think in the answer itself it is stated that it is not very complete.

Age-limit—exemption.

67. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of persons who were given exemption from age-limit referred to in Rule 8 of the Cochin Standing Orders during the year 1107, and the names of those who were refused with the reason for doing so in each case ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—A statement containing the information so far collected is appended. (*Appendix V.*)

Loans to Officers.

68. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of officers who were granted loans by the State (1) for the purchase of conveyances (2) for the construction of houses, etc., in the year 1107 and the names of the officers to whom loans were refused and the reasons for refusal in each case ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) and (2) Vide statements appended. (*Appendix VI*).

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—What is the principle laid down to fix the amount of loan given to the officers? Is it according to the pay?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Which loan does the Hon'ble Member mean?

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Both the loans.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It depends on the pay.

Suppliers of cement, iron, girders, etc.

69. **Mr.T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of suppliers from whom purchases of cement, iron and girders, supplied departmentally by the Engineering Department of the State to the contractors under the department, were made;

(2) the quantity, price and total amount of each of the above articles purchased and the rate and the total amount of commission, if any, during the year 1107 ;

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APPENDIX IV.

(*Vide Answer to Question No. 66.*)

Educated unemployment by class

Class	Total unemployed	Aged 20—24		Aged 25—29		Aged 30—34		Aged 35—39	
		Unemployed for less than one year	Unemployed for one year or more	Unemployed for less than one year	Unemployed for one year or more	Unemployed for less than one year	Unemployed for one year or more	Unemployed for less than one year	Unemployed for one year or more
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Brahmins ..	113	25	54	3	21	1	4	...	5
Other Hindus ...	236	47	120	7	43	6	12	..	1
Anglo-Indians ...	2	1	...	1	.	...	..	...	..
All other classes ...	93	11	33	9	26	...	10	...	4
Total ...	444	84	207	20	90	7	26	..	10